

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

ATTN: BOX RCE

Sandhya MISHRA et al.

Docket No. 2001-0120A

Serial No. 09/777,664

Group Art Unit 1651

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Examiner Irene Marx

AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE REMOVAL OF CALCIUM IONS FROM THE BRINE BY MARINE CYANOBACTERIA

Confirmation No. 9236

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of June 13, 2003.

The fee of \$950.00 is

- (X) submitted herewith.
- () to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
- () Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which () is enclosed.
 - () has been previously submitted.

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Respectfully submitted,

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